TRAVANCORE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Wednesday, 22nd November, 1922.

The Council met in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall, at Eleven Thirty of the Clock, with the Deputy President in the Chair.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

[*Order made by the President under Standing Order No. 12—*

(1) Printed copies of the questions and answers to be put and given at a meeting of the Council shall be placed on the Council table 15 minutes before the President takes his seat.

(2) The questions shall be put and answered in the following manner:

The Secretary shall call the name of each interpellator in serial order, specify the serial number of his questions and make a sufficient pause to allow him a reasonable opportunity of rising in his place, if he is desirous of asking a supplementary question. Supplementary questions must be put immediately after the principal questions to which they relate.]

Revenue Statistics for the Chirayinkil Taluk.

38. MR. V. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a statement containing the following particulars regarding the Chirayinkil taluk:

(i) the names of the *pakuthies* from which Government collect "public revenue due on land" as per *ayacut*;

(ii) the annual amount of the assessment in kind as per *ayacut* in these *pakuthies*;

(iii) the annual amount now collected in money at eleven chackrams per *para* of paddy in these *pakuthies*;

(iv) the names of the *pakuthies* from which Government do not collect "public revenue due on land";

(v) the annual amount of the assessment in kind as per *ayacut* in these latter *pakuthies*;

(vi) the money-value of the above paddy when commuted at eleven chackrams per *para* as in other *pakuthies*; and

(vii) the annual amount of the other revenues, if any, such as excise, stamp, court-fees, registration fees, income-tax, etc., collected from these latter *pakuthies*?

(*b*) Do the Government recognise the fact that, although taxation in kind was abolished long ago, still the land-holders of the Chirayinkil taluk suffer the burden of that taxation?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware that the tenure of all the lands in the Chirayinkil taluk is *pandaravagai* like that of any other land in the State?

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[Mr. V. Kunjukrishna Pillai.]

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) A statement* containing the information is laid on the table. Information relating to excise revenue, stamps, court-fees and registration fees, required in item (vii) has been called for and will be laid on the table when received.

(*b*) Government are aware that the ryots holding lands under the Sripadam and Kilimanur Edavagais in this taluk are liable to pay a portion of their rents in kind.

(*c*) The terminology in regard to tenures of lands in the Sripadam and the Kilimanur Edavagais is more or less the same as that adopted in the case of Sirkar lands, but the tenures themselves are different.

MR. V. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI: With reference to the statement "but the tenures themselves are different" in the answer to part (*c*), will the Government be pleased to say what the name of the tenure is?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: It may be any particular tenure. The term '*Pandaravagai*' which is used by the Sirkar, is also used in the Kilimanur and Sripadam Edavagais.

MR. V. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI: There is no Edavagai known as Sripadam Edavagai.

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: In the case of lands held by the Sripadam Edavagai also, I believe that the term is used to denote the tenure. By Sripadam Edavagai is meant the Estate belonging to the Sripadam Palace.

MR. V. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI: It is stated in the answer that the "tenures themselves are different." What is the difference between the tenures in the two cases?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: As stated in the answer, the terminology is more or less the same. But the tenures *are* different because they belong to different owners.

Department for the Preservation of Oriental Literature.

39. MR. V. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to furnish the following particulars regarding the Department for the Preservation of Oriental Literature:

(*a*) the year in which the department was started;

(*b*) the age of the present Curator;

(*c*) the number of times extension of service has been granted to him;

(*d*) a list showing the names, caste, pay, qualifications and nativity of the permanent staff in the department;

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APPENDIX I.

[*Vide* **Answer to Question No. 38.**]

Statement giving the Land Revenue Statistics for the Chirayinkil Taluk.

No.	Names of the *pakuthies* from which Government collect public revenue as per *Ayacut*.	Annual amount of ass essment in kind.		Annual amount at 11 Chackrams per *para* for one-half of the paddy assessment.			No.	Names of the *pakuthies* from which Government do not collect public revenue.	Annual amount of assessment in kind.		Money value at 11 Chackrams per *para*.			Annual amount of revenue under Income-Tax.		
		Paras.	*Edangalies.*	Rs.	Chs.	C.			*Paras.*	*Edangalies.*	Rs.	Chs.	C.	Rs.	Chs.	C.
1	Azhur ...	6,033	5	1,185	1	4		*Sreepadamvagai.*								
2	Kizhvallam ...	10,279	9	2,019	7	7	1	Edakod ...	5,083	1	1,997	4	11	...	..	...
3	Koduvalanur ...	6,239	8	1,255	18	14										
4	Pulimat ...	4,387	2	861	21	10	2	Elamba ...	3,564	2	1,400	6	3	...	..	...
5	Vellalur ...	6,815	9	1,338	23	7	3	Mudakkal ...	3,725	1	1,463	12	2	...	...	...
6	Nagarur ...	5,615	2	1,102	27	10										
7	Kuntallur ...	8,822	4	1,732	27	4	4	Alankode ...	6,659	5	2,616	6	8	...	...	...
8	Sarkara ...	4,857	7	954	5	6	5	Avanavancheri ...	4,227	2	1,660	19	3	...	...	...
9	Chirayinkil ...	4,480	7	875	13	14										
10	Kadakkavur ...	1,314	3	238	14	11	6	Attingal ...	4,313	9	1,694	20	14	201	7	0
11	Manambur ...	7,008	...	1,376	16	...	7	Kizh-attingal ...	3,720	6	1,461	18	10	...	...	...
12	Ottur ...	4,331	1	850	21	1										
13	Karivaram ...	7,981	5	1,567	22	4		*Kilimanur Edavaga.*								
14	Madavur ...	7,305	8	1,435	1	15										
15	Pallikkal ...	4,885	1	959	16	1	1	Pazhayakunnummel ...	5,240	1	2,058	17	2	...	...	...
16	Navaikulam ...	12,068	6	2,369	17	13	2	Kilimanur ...	7,599	5	2,985	14	8	46	24	8
17	Chemmarudi ...	6,293	3	1,236	5	3										
18	Airur ...	7,028	5	1,380	16	12										
19	Edava ...	2,110	6	414	16	5										
20	Varkala ...	2,939	8	577	12	16										
21	Vettur ...	1,922	9	377	19	15										
22	Cheruniyur ...	3,046	1	598	9	9										
	Total ...	1,25,662	9	24,679	4	4		*Total* ...	44,133	8	17,338	7	13	248	3	8